Newsprint Production

40. SHRI M. KADHARSHA:

SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

WiH the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total production *ot* newsprint in the country at present both in private and public sector;

(b) ihe estimated demand thereof, State-wse [a]nd language-wise; and

(c) by when Government hope to achieve self-sufficiency in the production of newsprint?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a)' The production of newsprint in the country during th$_e$ year 1985-86 is estimated at 2.70 lakh tonnes.

(b) The demand for newsprint which was about 3.85 lakh tonnes during 1984-85 is expected to rise to 5 lakh tonnes by 1989-90. There is no system of quantifying the demand for newsprint State-wise or language-wise.

(c) In addition to the present installed capacity of 2.80 lakh tonnes, an additional capacity of 6.36 lakh tonnes has been approved by way of Industrial Licences/Letters of Intent. The approved capacity is under various stages of implementation.

Electoral Reforms

41. SHRI M. KADHARSHA:

SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

Will (he Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to introduce some electoral reforms;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c)[c] by when these are likely to be incorporated in different election laws of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) Government are keen to bring about electoral reforms. Attention is invited to the repdes given to the following questions detailing the sta^e at which tlie matter now stands:

Unstarred Question No. 2015, dated 17-3-1986.

Unstarred Question No. 2174, date^ 17-3-1986.

Unstarred Question T\JO. 2185 date$_d$ 17-3-1986.

High Court Bench in Western U.P.

42. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL:

SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently received any memorandum regarding setting up of a High Court Bench in Western U.P.; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the memorandum and the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) Memoranda/representations have been received from various bodies/organisations for and against setting up of a Bench of the Allahabad High Court in the Western districts °f Uttar Pradesh.

The matter is engaging the attention of the Government.

सीमेंट के उत्पादन में नुकसान

43. श्री सोहन लाल धूसिया : क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इस समय देश में सीमेंट का कुल कितना उत्पादन हो रहा है और पैक करने की